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Administrator US Environmental Protection Agency PO Box 1473 Merrifield VA 22116 USA

Attention: Chemical Right-to-Know Program

HPV TEST PLANS AND ROBUST STUDY SUMMARIES FOR 2-CYCLOHEXENE-1-OCTANOIC ACID, 5 (OR 6)-CARBOXY-4-HEXYL (CAS No 53980-88-4)

Dear Ms Whitman

On behalf of MeadWestvaco Corporation, I am pleased to submit the Test Plans and Robust Study Summaries for 2-cyclohexene-1-octanoic acid, 5 (or 6)-carboxy-4-hexyl under their commitment to the US High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge Program.

The submission includes an electronic copy of the test plans / robust study summaries and of this letter in pdf format, and a paper copy of the test plan / robust study summary. The sponsor identification number for MeadWestvaco Corporation is

I understand that this information will be posted on the internet for a 120-day comment period after initial review by the EPA, and that MeadWestvaco Corporation will have an opportunity to respond to all comments generated by or provided to EPA.

Should you have any questions concerning this submission please contact either me or the sponsor of this chemical, MeadWestvaco Corporation, Chemical Division, 3950 Faber Place Drive, North Charleston, South Carolina 29405, Attention Frank, L Lambert, Environmental and Technical Director.

Yours sincerely

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